

DOWLING CATHOLIC PARADIGM LEGISLATION PACKET

This document contains two parts. The first part is the FRIDAY DOCKET, which is NOT to be debated at all on Saturday. The second part is the SATURDAY DOCKET, which is NOT to be debated at all on Friday.

Notes:

- 1) For Friday and Saturday we have some back-up legislation from the NSDA. This is only to be debated if the student provided legislation has been completed on the docket. They are at the back and have a cover page that says BACK UP LEGISLATION. It should be very clear
- 2) For SATURDAY ONLY there is a FINALS session. The docket for finals will be the NSDA DECEMBER DOCKET which is posted December 1 at www.speechanddebate.org/topics. Please download this docket and bring it with you for the tournament.

FRIDAY DOCKET

A Bill to Catalyze Peace in Catalonia

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States shall recognize the independence of Catalonia based
3 on the results of the referendum held on October 01, 2017.

4 **SECTION 2.** Independence is defined as complete self sovereignty as a nation state.

5 A. Channels of dialogue shall be made available to Spain and Catalonia
6 to negotiate independence.

7 B. The United States shall also provide 10,000 soldiers to Catalonia if
8 necessary to protect the borders and independence of Catalonia and
9 will offer substantial import tariff reductions to Spain to establish
10 continued good faith between Spain and the United States.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Defense, the Department of State, and the
12 Department of Commerce will oversee the enforcement of this
13 legislation.

14 A. The Department of Defense may provide further resources to protect
15 Catalonia based on their discretion.

16 B. The Department of Commerce shall determine the specific tariff
17 reductions for Spain.

18 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect immediately upon passage.

19 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

20 *Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Anshul Sukhlecha, Glenbrook South*

A Bill to Supply Internet Access to Every Citizen

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. All residents of the United States will be provided with internet connection.

SECTION 2. Internet Access will be defined as a source of information and educational tool.

SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented January 1, 2018.

SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Lincoln East High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution and Establish Term Limits for Congressional Membership

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

SECTION 1: Congress shall be limited to the number of total terms – either consecutive or nonconsecutive – in which one individual can serve.

SECTION 2: A term is one election cycle, from inauguration to inauguration. Senators will be limited to two six-year terms and Representatives will be limited to six two-year terms, for a whole maximum of twelve years in one single chamber of Congress.

SECTION 3: The United States House of Representatives and The United States Senate shall oversee the enforcement of this bill.

SECTION 4: This law shall go into effect after the 2018-election year for all Senators and Representatives elected during 2018 and afterwards. This article shall not apply to any person currently holding office in Congress when this article was proposed or during the term within which this article becomes operative.

SECTION 5: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Rockhurst High School.

A Bill to Protect the Most Innocent

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The Convention on the Rights of the Child, including the three optional
3 protocols, will be ratified and made into law.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. The Convention on the Rights of the Child will be defined as the
5 United Nation's Convention on the Rights of the Child.

6 B. The three optional protocols will include those involving:

7 i. Children in armed conflict

8 ii. The sale of children, child prostitution, and child pornography

9 iii. Communication procedure

10 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for
11 Children and Families will be tasked with the enforcement of this
12 legislation. 1 billion dollars will be allocated from the current Medicare
13 and Medicaid budgets to be put toward international and domestic
14 grants and federal programs to ensure the US and the world are able to
15 implement the Convention's protocols.

16 A) At least 200 million dollars of this budget will be allocated toward
17 international grants, and

18 B) At least 100 million dollars of this budget will be designated to ensure
19 the United States is in compliance with the Convention.

20 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall immediately go into effect upon passage.

21 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by New Trier High School.

A Bill to Ban Prison Privatization

SECTION 1. The government will no longer be able to hire companies to run for-profit places of confinement.

SECTION 2. Private prisons will be defined as a place where for-profit companies imprison individuals.

SECTION 3. This bill will be enforced by the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP).

SECTION 4. This bill will be implemented January 1, 2018

SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Lincoln East High School

A Resolution to Defund the D.A.R.E. Program

- 1 **WHEREAS,** the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program is ineffective
2 and funding by the federal government should stop; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** the national funding of the D.A.R.E. program well be cut, because it dose
4 not do what it was intended to do concerning the use of drugs; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** this program in some causes increased the use of drugs, plus the money
6 going in the program can go somewhere else; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** in order see the use of controlled substances in elementary, middle and
8 high school this program must be cut; now, therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation
10 for solution to cut funding for the D.A.R.E. program ; and, be it
- 11 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That funding will be cut next time funds are administered and
12 then divide equally to under funded government areas.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by East high school.

A Bill to Guarantee Biodiversity

1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:
2. SECTION 1. The United States will fund 1.5 million from the Endangered Species Act
3. (ESA) to the Fish and Wildlife services to inform and research to protect main
4. pollinators
5. SECTION 2. Main pollinators are insects known to help greatly with pollination such
6. as Bee, wasps, butterflies, etc.
7. SECTION 3. The Fish and Wildlife services will oversee this bill.
 - i. This agency will provide education to people willing to help and will fund research to save declining populations.
8. SECTION 4. This will take effect upon the day funds are administered.
9. SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
10. void
11. Respectfully Submitted By: *DM East High School*

FRIDAY
BACK UP

A Bill to Counter the Opioid Crisis

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** \$100 million shall be allocated to fighting opioid addictions across the
3 country.

4 **SECTION 2.** \$30 million from this fund will be added to the Public Health Emergency
5 Fund, with the requirement that this money only be used to combat the
6 drug epidemic.

7 **SECTION 3.** The remaining \$70 million will be given to the US Department of Health
8 and Human services.

9 A. This money must be used for Substance Abuse and Mental Health
10 Services Administration (SAMHSA) grants.

11 B. The SAMHSA grants provided through the funding in this legislation
12 cannot be given to any private entities.

13 **SECTION 4.** Funding shall be allocated immediately upon the passage of this
14 legislation.

15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Solve Puerto Rico's Debt Crisis

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. The Puerto Rico Economic Revitalization Commission (PRERC) shall be
3 established.

4 B. \$100 billion shall be allocated to the PRERC for the purposes of debt
5 forgiveness and economic revitalization.

6 **SECTION 2.** The PRERC shall be charged with implementing a debt forgiveness
7 program and managing the remaining allocated monies, which shall be
8 used for investment incentives and direct government stimulus
9 programs.

10 **SECTION 3.** PRERC will implement this legislation. The Departments of Commerce
11 and Treasury will determine the structure and oversight of PRERC.

12 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

13 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Fund School Vouchers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. An additional \$20 billion in funding shall be allocated for distribution to
3 the states. This fund shall be distributed to each state proportionally
4 based on the number of residents living below the poverty line.

5 B. In order to receive a portion of this fund, states must use it to finance a
6 school voucher program for students living in poverty.

7 **SECTION 2.** "School voucher program" shall be defined as a program that makes state
8 funding available to families to send their children to private primary and
9 secondary educational institutions. "Students living in poverty" shall be
10 defined as any student qualifying for a free or reduced lunch program.

11 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Education shall oversee the implementation of this
12 legislation.

13 **SECTION 4.** Funding shall be allocated on October 1, 2019. States must elect whether
14 they wish to receive funds by September 1, 2019.

15 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Tax Simplification Act of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

SECTION 1. A) The seven-bracket system shall be abolished and replaced by a consolidated three-bracket system as follows:

Yearly Income (after deductions)	Tax Owed
\$0 - \$37,950	12% of taxable income
\$37,951 – \$191,650	\$4,554 + 25% of the excess over \$37,950
\$191,650+	\$47,912.50 + 35% of the excess over \$191,650

B) The estate tax and all other taxes levied against monies transferred as part of an inheritance are hereby repealed.

C) Taxpayers shall no longer be permitted to receive a tax benefit for itemized deductions of any kind.

D) All tax incentives for mortgage interest shall be abolished.

SECTION 2. As an exemption to Section 1(C), the Child Tax Credit shall remain intact.

SECTION 3. The Department of the Treasury and Internal Revenue Service shall carry out the provisions of this legislation.

SECTION 4. These provisions shall take effect for all income received after December 31, 2018.

SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Modify Travel Restrictions

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The travel restrictions placed on entry from Syria, Chad, Yemen, Libya,
3 Somalia, Sudan, Iraq, and Iran through the Visa Waiver Program (VWP)
4 will be lifted.

5 **SECTION 2.** People visiting the United States through the VWP program from these 8
6 countries will only be allowed to stay in the United States for 30 days
7 before being required to leave the country.

8 **SECTION 3.** \$50 million will be allocated towards the Department of Homeland
9 Security to strengthen the Electronic System for Travel Authorization
10 (ESTA) system.

11 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented immediately upon passage.

12 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

SATURDAY DOCKET

A Bill to Legally Classify Bitcoin as the Official Cryptocurrency of the United States

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States will recognize Bitcoin as the official Cryptocurrency of
3 the U.S. The federal government will classify Bitcoin as legal tender.

4 **SECTION 2.** A. Cryptocurrency shall be defined as coins or banknotes that must be
5 accepted if offered in payment of a debt or service performed.

6 B. Bitcoin shall be defined as a type of digital currency in which
7 encryption techniques are used to regulate the generation of units of
8 currency and verify the transfer of funds, operating independently of
9 a central bank.

10 C. Legal tender shall be defined as coins or banknotes that must be
11 accepted if offered in payment of a debt or performance of a service.

12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Treasury will oversee enforcement of the bill.

13 A. Each Bitcoin will be uniquely marked to be traceable.

14 B. The United States Treasury will be the sole agency distributing
15 Bitcoins in the United States.

16 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall go into effect on September 01, 2018.

17 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

18 *Respectfully submitted for Congressional Debate by Christina Chrones, Glenbrook South*

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Limit the Terms of Congressmen

1 **WHEREAS,** The lack of limits on terms Congressmen serve may prevent them from
2 performing with adequate mental and physical health; and

3 **WHEREAS,** The lack of limits on terms Congressmen serve may encourage the abuse
4 of power; now, therefore, be it

5 **RESOLVED,** By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article
6 is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States,
7 which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution
8 when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states
9 within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

11 **SECTION 1:** Congressmen will be limited to serving a maximum of
12 eighteen years in the House of Representatives and Senate
13 combined. Congressmen in violation of this legislation will
14 be allowed to complete their current term but may not
15 run for reelection or be appointed to fill a vacant seat.
16 Congressmen may not run for office if the eighteen year
17 restriction prevents them from completing their term.
18 **SECTION 2:** Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by
19 appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Naperville Central High School

A Bill to Lock the Lockbox

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** A Universal Base Income (UBI) of \$650 shall be granted to United
2 States citizens monthly.
- 3 A. United States citizens will qualify for a guaranteed monthly UBI if
4 they make an annual income of under \$50,000.
- 5 B. United States citizens who qualify for a UBI with an immediate
6 family of five or more members shall receive a monthly UBI of
7 \$1,000.
- 8 **SECTION 2.** A. A UBI shall be defined as a lump sum payment paid monthly to
9 those who qualify according to Section 1(A) and (B).
- 10 B. United States citizens shall be defined according to the 14th
11 Amendment.
- 12 **SECTION 3.** The Department of Treasury shall administer and oversee the UBI
13 payments.
- 14 A. Funds will be allocated from the Social Security Administration.
- 15 B. A recommendation shall be made to the Social Security
16 Administration to increase the employee portion of the Social
17 Security payroll tax to 8%, and the employer portion of the
18 employee tax to 7.5% to help fund the UBI payments.
- 19 **SECTION 4.** This piece of legislation shall be implemented January 1, 2020.
- 20 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
21 void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by New Trier High School

A Bill to Vaporize Vaping

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1 **SECTION 1.** With the current vaping epidemic in high schools across America, a
2 new tax of 20% on all products used while vaping will be imposed
3 by the federal government.

4 **SECTION 2.** Vaping will be defined the action of inhaling vapor through the
5 mouth from a usually batter operated electronic device that heats
6 up to vaporize a liquid or solid, including, but not limited to, the use
7 of electronic cigarettes.

8 **SECTION 3.** The IRS and FDA will be responsible for enacting this bill.

9 I. The Federal Drug Administration, or FDA, will determine which
10 products will be taxed under this bill's definition.

11 II. The Internal Revenue Service, or IRS, will be responsible for
12 collecting the tax.

13 **SECTION 4.** This bill will go into effect on January 1st, 2019.

14 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and
 void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by New Trier High School.

A Bill to Privatize the TSA
BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

SECTION 1. Full divestiture of all government-facilitated operations of the Transportation Security Administration shall occur over the course of a four-year period. Sectors and operations of the TSA shall be sold to private firms through a bidding process to be organized and conducted immediately following passage of this legislation by the US Department of Commerce in conjunction with the US Department of Homeland Security.

SECTION 2. Funding for the TSA shall decrease by a sum equivalent to 25% of the fiscal year 2017 allotted budget each year from fiscal year 2018 with full cessation of funding by fiscal year 2022.

SECTION 3. The US Department of Homeland Security will oversee the transfer of ownership and assets from the federal government to private sector buyers. The USDHS shall continue to oversee and regulate operations in a manner deemed fit by the US Secretary of Homeland Security.

SECTION 4. Implementation of divestiture shall begin on January 1st, 2018, with complete transfer of ownership to be completed no later than January 1st, 2022.

SECTION 5. All laws in conflict are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully

submitted by Ankeny High School

The Fair Tax Act of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

SECTION 1: Existing US federal income, corporate income, employment/self-employment, estate, and gift taxes are hereby repealed. Subtitles A and B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 are repealed.

SECTION 2: There is hereby imposed a tax on the use or consumption in the United States of taxable property or services.

A) The rate of tax is 23 percent of the gross payments for the taxable property or service in 2019.

B) For years after 2019, the rate of tax is the combined sum of

- i) the general revenue rate of 14.91 percent
- ii) the old-age, survivors and disability insurance rate, and
- iii) the hospital insurance rate.

SECTION 3: The term “taxable property and services” means any purchased property (including 1 households or any term or rents with respect to such property), but does not include intangible property, property or services purchased for business, export, or investment purposes, or state government functions.

A) “Intangible property” includes copyrights, trademarks, patents, goodwill, financial instruments, securities, commercial paper, debts, notes and bonds, and other property deemed intangible at common law.

SECTION 4: The States are responsible for administering, collecting, and remitting the imposed tax to the United States Treasury. The Secretary of the Treasury may administer the tax imposed by this legislation in a State if such a State has regularly failed to remit to the United States the taxes collected.

SECTION 5: Full implementation of this legislation shall occur on January 1st, 2019.

SECTION 6: All laws in conflict are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Ankeny High

School

The World's Greatest Healthcare Plan of 2017

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED

SECTION 1. The existing individual health insurance mandate is hereby repealed. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is amended by striking the entirety of Section 5000A.

A. The existing employer health insurance mandate is hereby repealed. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is amended by striking the entirety of Section 4980H.

SECTION 2. States are permitted to enroll uninsured residents in high deductible health plans. Individuals must be permitted to opt-out of this coverage.

SECTION 3. The US Department of Health and Human Services is directed to develop a risk adjustment mechanism for health insurance in the individual market, to be fully developed within 1 year of passage of this legislation.

SECTION 4. Individuals enrolling in health insurance who have not maintained continuous coverage over the previous 12 months are charged an additional 20% on premiums for each consecutive year without coverage, unless the individual is subject to similar state incentives to maintain coverage.

A. In the case of any individual who maintains continuous coverage there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed by this section for any taxable year an amount equal to the sum of-

i. 1/12 of \$2,500 in any month the first day of which the taxpayer is covered by creditable coverage

ii. 1/12 of \$1,500 multiplied by the number of legal dependents

B. The tax credit in Subsection A of this section is not applicable to any individuals who maintain a health insurance plan which covers any form of abortion services.

SECTION 5. The existing tax on excess health benefits, commonly referred to as the Cadillac tax, is hereby repealed. Section 49801 of The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act shall not apply with respect to any month beginning more than thirty days after the passage of this legislation.

SECTION 6. This legislation shall be enacted on April 1st, 2018

SECTION 7. All laws in conflict are hereby declared null and void.

submitted by Ankeny High School

Respectfully

A Resolution to Confront Iran

WHEREAS, the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran has proven itself to be imperialist and repressive, and

WHEREAS, under current US policy the Iranian regime possesses the capability to acquire nuclear weapons in the near future, and,

WHEREAS, previous US strategy has failed to adequately address and contain the Iranian threat, and

WHEREAS, a more comprehensive and far-sighted strategy is necessary to protect the interests of the US and its allies and to maintain stability in the region, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Congress here assembled that in addition to diligently enforcing the existing nuclear agreement until its completion, the US shall develop and present revised terms for a subsequent accord which corrects the flaw of the current by removing sunset provisions which give Iran a pathway to nuclear weapons, and by expanding US access to Iranian military sites for effective verification, and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following shall henceforth serve as an outline for US policy towards Iran:

Economic Policy: The US will implement economic policy with the intent of severely weakening the finances of the Iranian regime and restricting its military and weapons production capabilities. The US will develop and implement robust economic sanctions targeting the Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and other dominant forces in the Iranian economy.

Geopolitical Strategy: The US will target and dismantle the Iranian regime's terrorist networks and influence operations, including its presence in Europe and the United States, by working closely with European allies and with allied Sunni governments in the region. The US will work to dismantle Iranian power in the middle east on a country-by-country basis by providing support for anti-Iranian proxy and dissident forces in the region.

Ideological Offensive: The US will act to support and strengthen Iranian pro-democracy forces, and target the Iranian regime's corruption and human rights abuses. US policies should seek wherever possible to encourage Iranian regional allies to distance themselves from the Iranian government and progress towards domestic democratization. U.S. policy must have an ideological thrust which clearly affirms the superiority of U.S. and Western values of individual dignity and freedom, and political democracy over the repressive features of the Iranian regime.

Respectfully submitted by Ankeny High School

A Bill to Reform Net Neutrality Regulations

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** A. Internet service providers (ISPs) shall be prohibited from engaging in
3 throttling, blocking, zero rating, or paid prioritization.

4 B. ISPs shall be permanently reclassified as information services by the Federal
5 Communications Commission.

6 C. ISPs shall be subject to the Federal Trade Commission's antitrust and privacy
7 regulations.

8 **SECTION 2.** "Internet service providers" shall be defined as companies that provide
9 individuals and businesses Internet access and related services. "Throttling"
10 refers to an ISP slowing down customers' access to a particular website or online
11 service. "Blocking" refers to an ISP preventing customers from accessing lawful
12 Internet content. "Zero rating" refers to an ISP exempting certain online services
13 from data limits on customers' phone or Internet plans. "Paid prioritization"
14 refers to an ISP accepting money from a content provider in exchange for
15 allowing the ISP's customers faster access to the provider's websites and related
16 services. "Information service" refers to the offering of a capability for
17 generating, acquiring, storing, transforming, processing, retrieving, utilizing, or
18 making available information via telecommunications, as per the
19 Communications Act of 1934.

20 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Communications Commission shall enforce Sections 1.A and 1.B. The
21 Federal Trade Commission shall enforce Section 1.C.

22 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on January 1, 2018.

23 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Naperville Central High School

A Resolution to Renegotiate the Iran Nuclear Deal

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Iran has violated the terms of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), or
2 Iran nuclear deal, by secretly seeking to obtain banned nuclear and missile
3 technologies from foreign businesses; and
- 4 **WHEREAS,** The government of Iran has continued development of ballistic missiles capable
5 of carrying nuclear warheads; and
- 6 **WHEREAS,** Iran's misconduct threatens American allies and exacerbates regional instability;
7 and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** The future expiration of numerous provisions in the JCPOA increases the
9 likelihood of a dangerous nuclear standoff; now, therefore, be it
- 10 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that the
11 United States work with the P5+1 to renegotiate the JCPOA to limit Iran's
12 ballistic missile program, make the terms in the agreement with sunset
13 provisions permanent, and enforce the terms of the agreement more strictly;
14 and, be it
- 15 **FURTHER RESOLVED,** That should Iran refuse to negotiate, the United States will reimpose
16 sanctions on Iran until it agrees to the above terms and shall encourage the P5+1
17 to do the same.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Naperville Central High School

A Resolution to Amend the Constitution to Abolish Corporate Personhood

RESOLVED, By two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

ARTICLE --

SECTION 1: Corporate Personhood is hereby abolished.

SECTION 2: The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lincoln East High School.

A Bill to Restore Our Communities

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

1. **SECTION 1.** At least fifty percent of all Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance
2. Grant (JAG) money allocated to vulnerable communities must be spent on
3. education, employment, and restorative justice programming. No more than
4. twenty-five percent of JAG money may be used to support systems of mass
5. incarceration.
6. **SECTION 2. A.** Vulnerable communities are those that possess one or more of the following
7. characteristics: high poverty rates, high incarceration rates, or a majority
8. African-American or Latino population.
9. **B.** Systems of mass incarceration include militarized equipment, construction of
10. detention centers, and expansion of surveillance efforts.
11. **SECTION 3.** The Department of Justice shall revise its grant application and auditing
12. procedures to ensure compliance with this bill, and shall be responsible for
13. enforcement of this bill. Municipal governments that do not comply with this bill
14. will be ineligible for federal law enforcement funding for the following two fiscal
15. years.
16. **SECTION 4.** This bill shall take effect immediately upon passage.
17. **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Introduced to the Committee on Public Welfare

Evanston Township High School

SATURDAY
BACK UP

A Resolution to Intervene in Burma

- WHEREAS,** The Burmese military regime is committing acts of genocide against the Rohingya; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States stands firmly against ethnic cleansing and other crimes against humanity; and
- WHEREAS,** The international community has failed to effectively act in this crisis; and
- WHEREAS,** The United States recognizes that aside from the humanitarian implications of this crisis, such acts of genocide destabilize the region and may spur future threats to national security; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled authorize the President to use military force to end the ethnic cleansing of the Rohingya in Burma.

A Bill to Limit Firearm Modifiers

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** It shall be unlawful for any person in or affecting interstate commerce to
3 manufacture, possess, or transfer any part that functions to (1) increase
4 the rate of fire of a semiautomatic rifle or (2) reduce the noise or light
5 emitted when a firearm is fired.

6 **SECTION 2.** In accordance with the timeline set forth in Section 4, the United States
7 government shall establish one collection facility in each Congressional
8 district and shall provide a cash rebate for the fair market value of any
9 confiscated item turned in by an American citizen.

10 **SECTION 3.** The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives ("ATF") shall be
11 responsible for implementing the provisions of this legislation.

12 **SECTION 4.** The manufacture and sale of any item restricted by Section 1 shall be
13 unlawful immediately upon the passage of this legislation. The ATF shall
14 set up collection centers within thirty (30) days of the passage of this
15 legislation. Collection centers shall close one (1) year from their opening
16 date, after which point, it shall be unlawful to possess any item restricted
17 by Section 1.

18 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Bill to Means Test Social Security to Ensure Fiscal Solvency

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** Future retirees who earn more than \$110,000 per year during ten or
3 more years of their career will be ineligible for Social Security benefits
4 upon retiring.

5 **SECTION 2.** “Future retirees” refers to those who begin eligibility for Social Security
6 after the implementation date of this legislation.

7 **SECTION 3.** The Social Security Administration will oversee the implementation of
8 this legislation.

9 **SECTION 4.** This legislation shall take effect on October 1, 2020.

10 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

A Resolution to Support Mens Rea Reform

- 1 **WHEREAS,** Widespread over-criminalization continues to plague the American
2 justice system; and
- 3 **WHEREAS,** Criminal intent requirements have become increasingly unclear and
4 vague; and
- 5 **WHEREAS,** Many Americans have been prosecuted unfairly for conduct they
6 believed to be completely lawful; and
- 7 **WHEREAS,** Mens Rea reform can reduce ambiguities in the delegation of power to
8 regulatory agencies; therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled recommend that the President and
10 Department of Justice set more stringent standards for criminal intent for
11 federal prosecutors and recommend these standards for use by state and
12 county prosecutors.